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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

William M. Barnick

A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
CORRECTING DEFECTS IN A  
SPATIAL LIGHT MODULATOR  
BASED  
PRINTING SYSTEM

Serial No. 09/606,891

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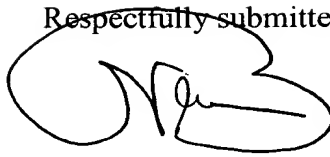
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In the Official Action dated October 6, 2004, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement to Applicant with respect to the following inventions:

- I. Claims 1-33 and 37, drawn to a method for correcting defects in an image characterized by deriving and applying a correction factor and gain of correction at each pixel.
- II. Claims 34-36, drawn to a printing assembly, which prints two-dimensional swaths on a media.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects to pursue Group I, claims 1-33 and 37 without traverse. Group II, claims 34-36 are hereby withdrawn from consideration and are cancelled from the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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